REMARKS

Claims 4, 11, 18, 24, 31 and 38 have been amended. Claims 1-41 remain pending in the application.

The objections to claims 4, 11, 18, 24, 31 and 38 have been overcome by the above amendments. Since there are no other objections or rejections pending, Applicants assert that the application is in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit the application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

If any extension of time (under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136) is necessary to prevent the above referenced application from becoming abandoned, Applicants hereby petition for such extension. If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5181-64700/RCK.

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Petition for	Extension of Time
☐ Notice of C	Change of Address
☐ Fee Authorization Form authorizing a deposit account debit in the amount of \$	
for fees ().
Other:	

Also enclosed herewith are the following items:

Respectfully submitted,

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